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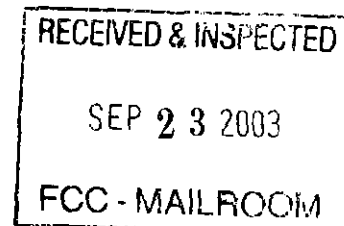
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Re. Easterbrooke Cellular Corporation
Initial Certification Pursuant to 47 C F R. § 54.313
CC Docket No. 96-45
(WVPSC Case No 02-1118-T-PC)

Dear Ms Dortch and Ms. Flannery:

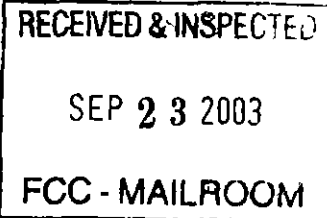
On May 29, 2003, the Chief Administrative Law Judge for the Public Service Commission of West Virginia entered a Recommended Decision approving a stipulation in Case No. 02-1118-T-PC, Easterbrooke Cellular Corporation. The Recommended Decision became a Final Order of the Commission on June 7, 2003, as the result of the Commission Order Waiving Exception Period entered on June 2, 2003. The Recommended Decision granted Easterbrooke Cellular Corporation designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier pursuant to 47 U.S.C §214(e) for those local exchange areas within its authorized service area not served by rural telephone companies.

The Order required the Commission Staff to provide to the FCC and the Universal Service Administrative Company, as requested in the FCC's Public Notice DA 97-1892 (Rel. September 29, 1997), a certified copy of the Order



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designating Easterbrooke as an ETC in its service territory, along with a list of the areas designated to be served by Easterbrooke.

In compliance with both the WVPSC Order and the FCC directive, I am enclosing certified copies of both the Recommended Decision entered May 29, 2003 and the Commission Order Waiving Exception Period entered June 2, 2003, which authorized the Recommended Decision to become a final order of the Commission within five days. These certified copies are being filed to verify that Easterbrooke has received initial certification as an eligible telecommunications carrier. The May 29, 2003, Recommended Decision has attached to it an Appendix A, which lists "Easterbrooke Cellular Corporation Wire Centers Comprising Requested ETC Service Area".

Easterbrooke has informed PSCWV that it intends to petition the FCC for waiver of the January 1, April 1, and July 1 filing deadlines set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(d)(3) to permit the Company to receive high-cost support for lines it has served as of June 7, 2003, the date on which its designation became effective. Under West Virginia law, the Commission Order Waiving Exception Period, provided that the Recommended Decision was to become final in five days or on June 7, 2003.

Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions concerning this matter

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Caryn Watson Short".

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